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ALONG A ROUTE

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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant recognizes that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowed. In the above-referenced application, Applicant does not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. In particular, Applicant does not concede that all of the identified limitations – i.e., “accessing shape points corresponding to a route from the origin to a destination, accessing grid information delineating a region of geography independently of the route, wherein the grid information includes, and identifying a particular portion of a grid that corresponds to a shape point, wherein the particular shape point is one of the shape points that correspond to the route, ...identifying locations of interest associating with the identifying portion of the grid and identifying at least some of the identified locations of interest as locations of interest for the route” – are necessary to distinguish the prior art of record or to satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Furthermore, the claims are believed to be patentable for other reasons. Applicant also notes that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance appear to be specific to independent claims 1 and 18 and are not applicable to other claims, such as, for example, claim 41.


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